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SUBJ: CIVAIR - CONSULTATIONS ON NORTH ATLANTIC SITUATION

1. IN RECENT DISCUSSION WITH EMBOFF, GEORGE ROGERS, UNDER SECRETARY, DEPT. OF TRADE, SAID UKG GROWING INCREASINGLY CONCERNED ABOUT LACK OF PROGRESS BEING MADE BY CARRIERS IN EFFORTS TO DEAL WITH WHOLE RANGE OF AVIATION PROBLEMS ON NORTH ATLANTIC. ROGERS MENTIONED SPECIFICALLY PROBLEMS OF CAPACITY RATIONALIZATION FOR SUMMER SEASON, MINIMUM CHARTER PRICES, AND SCHEDULED SERVICE FARES. ON LAST POINT ROGERS SAID THAT WITH RE-NEWED TALK BY CARRIERS OF BRINGING BACK YOUTH FARES, THEY APPEAR TO BE MOVING AWAY FROM RATHER THAN TOWARD SIMPLIFIED, COMPENSATORY FARE STRUCTURE WHICH BOTH USG AND UKG ARE SEEKING.

2. IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, ROGERS SAID WOULD BE VERY USEFUL TO HAVE INFORMAL BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS WITH US TO SEE WHAT, IF ANY, COMMON POSITIONS MIGHT BE WORKED OUT WITH VIEW TOWARD GOVERNMENTS THEN GIVING AIRLINES GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR THEIR TALKS WITH OTHER CARRIERS. IF US AGREES INFORMAL TALKS WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AND TIMELY, ROGERS SUGGESTS THAT WE GET TOGETHER FOR A DAY OR TWO AS SOON AFTER HOLIDAYS AS POSSIBLE. INASMUCH AS LAST TALKS WERE IN WASHINGTON, ROGERS HOPES NEXT MEETING MIGHT BE HELD LONDON BUT IF THIS NOT POSSIBLE, HE READY TO CONSIDER
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